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AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

In the Amendment And Response filed March 6, 2002, the paragraph at page 15, line 32 to page 16, line 10 of the Specification was amended. However, the "marked-up" copy of that paragraph -- reflecting the amendments -- did not include markings to indicate the additional correction replacing "934P" with --974P--, as recited in the list of ingredients in Table 1 of the Specification (page 18). Accordingly, a corrected "marked-up" copy is attached in the Appendix hereto, reflecting all the amendments made to that paragraph. The amended paragraph previously submitted was correct, and is not re-submitted here.

Also in the the Amendment And Response filed March 6, 2002, the paragraph at page 27, lines 1-12 of the Specification was amended. Again, the corrections replacing "934P" with --974P-- were not reflected in the "marked-up" version of that paragraph. However, at line 2, "carbomer 934P" was changed to --water-soluble polymer-- (instead of than merely correcting the "934P" to --974P--). Because the change to --974P-- is more straightforward, and is directly supported by Table 1 of the Specification, we re-submit that amendment, slightly modified as follows:

Please amend the paragraph at page 27, lines 1-12, to read as follows:

As shown in the charts and tables, by decreasing the amount of lactose and corn starch and increasing the amount of carbomer 974P, the time it takes for the tablet to hydrate is progressively decreased. Formulation 1 (0069904) and others like it with high levels of carbomer 974P and low levels of lactose and corn starch are probably best suited to buccal administration where 12 hours of delivery is usually sufficient. In the first example given above Formulation 8 (0029906), where the levels of lactose and corn starch

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are high and carbomer 974P is low, the formula is probably better suited for vaginal administration where release is often required over a period of days.

Note: A marked-up copy of the amended paragraph at page 27, lines 1-12, is included in the Appendix hereto.